

*We claim*  
~~CLAIMS~~

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1. Latent heat body (1, 17, 20, 30, 39, 49, 50) having ~~paraffin-based~~ latent heat storage material (7, 7', 7'', 54, 55) which is held in a carrier material (5) which has holding <sup>*Ind. AT*</sup> spaces, characterized in that capillary holding spaces (6) for the latent heat storage material (7, 7', 7'', 54, 55) are formed inside the carrier material (5), and in that the carrier material (5) contains a mineral substance with an open capillary pore structure (8).
2. Latent heat body (1, 17, 20, 30, 39, 49, 50) according to claim 1 or in particular according thereto, characterized in that a gypsum material and/or a clay material and/or calcareous sandstone and/or siliceous earth is contained as mineral substance.
- a* 3. Latent heat body (1, 17, 20, 30, 39, 49, 50) according to <sup>*claim 1*</sup> ~~one or more of the preceding claims~~ or in particular according thereto, characterized in that the carrier material (5) contains fiber elements (12).
- a* 4. Latent heat body (1, 17, 20, 30, 39, 49, 50) according to <sup>*claim 1*</sup> ~~one or more of the preceding claims~~ or in particular according thereto, characterized in that the fiber elements (12) are disposed in a distributed manner in the carrier material.
- a* 5. Latent heat body (1, 17, 20, 30, 39, 49, 50) according to <sup>*claim 1*</sup> ~~one or more of the preceding claims~~ or in particular according thereto, characterized in that the proportion by mass of the latent heat storage material (7, 7', 7'', 54, 55), based on the total mass of the latent heat body (1, 17, 20, 30, 39, 49, 50), is from 5 to 50%, preferably 25% or further preferably 40 to 50%.

a 2 6. Latent heat body according to <sup>claim 1</sup> ~~one or more of the preceding claims~~ or in particular according thereto, characterized in that a residual air volume (11), which absorbs temperature-dependent changes in  
5 volume of the latent heat storage material (7, 7', 7", 54, 55) of at most 10% of the latent heat storage material volume, is present in the capillary holding spaces (6).

a 10 7. Latent heat body according to <sup>claim 1</sup> ~~one or more of the preceding claims~~ or in particular according thereto, characterized in that the residual air volume (11) is uniformly distributed over the capillary holding spaces (6).

15 8. Latent heat body (1, 17, 20, 30, 39, 49, 50) according to <sup>claim 1</sup> ~~one or more of the preceding claims~~ or in particular according thereto, characterized in that the latent heat storage material (7, 7', 7", 54, 55)  
20 contains a thickening agent.

a 9. Latent heat body (1, 17, 20, 30, 39, 49, 50) according to <sup>claim 1</sup> ~~one or more of the preceding claims~~ or in particular according thereto, characterized in that the  
25 latent heat storage material (7, 7', 7", 54, 55) contains a proportion of mineral oils and polymers.

a 10. Latent heat body according to <sup>claim 1</sup> ~~one or more of the preceding claims~~ or in particular according  
30 thereto, characterized in that the latent heat body (1, 17, 20, 30, 39, 49, 50) has a sheath (40).

a 11. Latent heat body according to <sup>claim 1</sup> ~~one or more of the preceding claims~~ or in particular according  
35 thereto, characterized in that the sheath (40) consists of a film/foil material.

a 12. Latent heat body according to <sup>claim 1</sup> ~~one or more of~~  
a ~~the preceding claims~~ or in particular according  
thereto, characterized in that the sheath (40) is  
impermeable to latent heat storage material (7, 7', 7",  
5 54, 55).

13. Latent heat body according to <sup>claim 1</sup> ~~one or more of~~  
a ~~the preceding claims~~, or in particular according  
thereto, characterized in that the carrier material (5)  
10 is formed as a cohesive structure.

a 14. Latent heat body (1, 17, 20, 30, 39, 49, 50)  
according to <sup>claim 1</sup> ~~one or more of the preceding claims~~ or in  
particular according thereto, characterized in that the  
15 latent heat body (1, 17, 20, 30, 39, 49, 50) contains a  
number of latent heat part-bodies (19, 24), a latent  
heat part-body (19, 24) containing a carrier material  
part-body (21) and the latent heat storage material (7,  
7', 7", 54, 55) which is present in the capillary  
20 holding spaces (6) contained therein and a residual air  
volume (11).

a 15. Latent heat body (1, 17, 20, 30, 39, 49, 50)  
according to <sup>claim 1</sup> ~~one or more of the preceding claims~~ or in  
25 particular according thereto, characterized in that the  
latent heat body (1, 17, 20, 30, 39, 49, 50) is of  
plate-like form.

16. Warming plate (26, 37) having a plate base body  
30 (27, 38) and having a receptacle (28) for foodstuffs  
(25), in particular for rice, which is formed thereon,  
characterized in that the plate base body (27, 38)  
contains a latent heat body (30, 39) according to <sup>claim 1</sup> ~~one~~  
a ~~or more of claims 1 to 15~~ or in particular according  
a 35 thereto.

17. Warming plate according to claim 16 or in  
particular according thereto, characterized in that the

receptacle (28) has a recess which is integrated into a surface (31) of the plate base body (27, 38).

18. Floor heating (13), in particular electric  
5 floor heating, having a heating register (16) disposed  
between a bare floor (14) and a covering (15),  
characterized by a latent heat body (1, 17, 20, 30, 39,  
49, 50) according to <sup>claim 1</sup> ~~one or more of claims 1 to 15~~ or  
in particular according thereto.

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19. Floor heating according to claim 18 or in  
particular according thereto, characterized in that the  
latent heat body (1, 17, 20, 30, 39, 49, 50) is formed  
in the manner of a slab and is disposed between the  
15 bare floor (14) and the heating register (16).

20. Floor heating according to <sup>claim 18</sup> ~~one or more of~~  
~~claims 18 and 19~~ or in particular according thereto,  
characterized in that a thermally insulating layer is  
20 disposed on the top side of the bare floor (14).

21. Floor heating (13) according to <sup>claim 18</sup> ~~one or more of~~  
~~claims 18 to 20~~ or in particular according thereto,  
characterized in that a first layer (18) with a latent  
25 heat body (20), which is formed from latent heat part-  
bodies (19), according to one or more of claims 1 to 15  
or in particular according thereto, is disposed between  
the bare floor and the heating register (16).

22. Floor heating (13) according to <sup>claim 18</sup> ~~one or more of~~  
~~claims 18 to 21~~ or in particular according thereto,  
characterized in that a second layer (23) with a latent  
heat body (25), which is formed from latent heat part-  
bodies (24), according to one or more of claims 1 to 15  
35 or in particular according thereto, is disposed between  
the heating register (16) and the covering (15).

a 23. Floor heating (13) according to <sup>Claim 18</sup> ~~one or more of~~  
a ~~claims 18 to 22~~ or in particular according thereto,  
characterized in that the latent heat part-bodies (19,  
24) of the first (18) and/or second (23) layer are  
5 formed in the manner of granules.

a 24. Floor heating (13) according to <sup>Claim 18</sup> ~~one or more of~~  
a ~~claims 18 to 23~~ or in particular according thereto,  
characterized in that a latent heat storage material  
10 (7') with a phase transition temperature which is  
different compared with the latent heat storage  
material (7'') contained in the latent heat part-bodies  
(24) of the second layer (23) is contained in the  
latent heat part-bodies (19) of the first layer (18).

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a 25. Floor heating (13) according to <sup>Claim 18</sup> ~~one or more of~~  
a ~~claims 18 to 24~~ or in particular according thereto,  
characterized in that the phase transition temperature  
of the latent heat storage material (7') of the first  
20 layer (18) is higher than the phase transition  
temperature of the latent heat storage material (7'') of  
the second layer (23).

a 26. Floor heating (13) according to <sup>Claim 18</sup> ~~one or more of~~  
a 25 ~~claims 18 to 25~~ or in particular according thereto,  
characterized in that the phase transition temperature  
of the latent heat storage material (7') of the first  
layer (18) is 52°C, and in that the phase transition  
temperature of the latent heat storage material (7'') of  
30 the second layer (23) is 42°C.

a 27. Transport container (45) having an outer  
housing (46) and an inner housing (47) which is held  
therein spaced apart by a space, characterized in that  
a 35 a latent heat body (49, 50) according to <sup>Claim 1</sup> ~~one or more of~~  
a ~~claims 1 to 15~~ or in particular according thereto is  
disposed in the space.

28. Transport container (45) according to claim 27 or in particular according thereto, characterized in that plate-like latent heat bodies (49, 50) according to one or more of claims 1 to 15 or in particular according thereto are held in the space, at least two latent heat bodies (49, 50) with different phase transition temperatures of the latent heat storage material (54, 55) respectively held therein being disposed adjacently in the direction perpendicular to the plate plane of the plate-like latent heat bodies (49, 50).

29. Method for producing a latent heat body (1, 17, 20, 30, 39, 49, 50) with ~~paraffin-based~~ latent heat storage material (7, 7', 7'', 54, 55) held in a carrier material (5) which has capillary holding spaces (6), characterized in that the latent heat storage material (7, 7', 7'', 54, 55) is liquefied, in that the previously liquefied latent heat storage material (7, 7', 7'', 54, 55) is conducted to automatically sucking, capillary-like holding spaces (6) of the carrier material (5), and in that a carrier material (5) which contains a mineral substance with an open, capillary pore structure (8) is used.

30. Method according to claim 29 or in particular according thereto, characterized in that fiber elements (12) are added to the mineral substance.

31. Method according to <sup>claim 29</sup> ~~one or more of claims 29 and 30~~ or in particular according thereto, characterized in that the fiber elements are uniformly distributed in the mineral substance.

32. Method according to <sup>claim 29</sup> ~~one or more of claims 29 and 31~~ or in particular according thereto, characterized in that a gypsum material and/or a clay

material and/or calcareous limestone and/or siliceous earth is used as mineral substance.

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*a* 5 ~~33.~~ Method according to <sup>*claim 29*</sup> ~~one or more of claims 29 to 33~~ or in particular according thereto, characterized in that the previously liquefied latent heat storage material (7, 7', 7'', 54, 55) is conducted at zero pressure to the automatically sucking, capillary-like holding spaces (6) of the carrier material (5).

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*a* 10 ~~34.~~ Method according to <sup>*claim 29*</sup> ~~one or more of claims 29 to 34~~ or in particular according thereto, characterized in that the carrier material (5) is immersed in the previously liquefied latent heat storage material (7, 15 7', 7'', 54, 55).

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*a* 20 ~~35.~~ Method according to <sup>*claim 29*</sup> ~~one or more of claims 29 to 34~~ or in particular according thereto, characterized in that the temperature of the latent heat storage material (7, 7', 7'', 54, 55), while it is being conducted to the automatically sucking, capillary-like holding spaces (6) of the carrier material (5), is regulated by the controlled supply and/or dissipation of heat.

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*a* 25 ~~36.~~ Method according to <sup>*claim 29*</sup> ~~one or more of claims 29 to 35~~ or in particular according thereto, characterized in that a thickening agent and/or a proportion of mineral oils and polymers is added to the latent heat storage 30 material (7, 7', 7'', 54, 55).

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*a* 35 ~~37.~~ Method according to <sup>*claim 29*</sup> ~~one or more of claims 29 to 36~~ or in particular according thereto, characterized in that a mass of the latent heat storage material (7, 7', 7'', 54, 55) is conducted to the holding spaces (6) of the carrier material (5), which mass is between 5 and 50%, preferably 25% or further preferably 40 to 50%, of

the total mass of the latent heat body (1, 17, 20, 30, 39, 49, 50).

*claim 29*  
 38. Method according to ~~one or more of claims 29 to 37~~ or in particular according thereto, characterized in that the carrier material, after it has been immersed in the previously liquefied latent heat storage material, is drip-dried and/or cooled.

*claim 29*  
 39. Method according to ~~one or more of claims 29 to 38~~ or in particular according thereto, characterized in that the latent heat body (1, 17, 20, 30, 39, 49, 50) is provided with a sheath (40).

40. Latent heat body (1, 17, 20, 30, 39, 49, 50) according to one or more of the preceding claims or in particular according thereto, characterized in that the carrier material (5) together with the latent heat storage material (7, 7', 7'', 54, 55) held therein in the capillary holding spaces (6) is surrounded by an embedding material.

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 41. Latent heat body having a carrier material and ~~paraffin-based~~ latent heat storage material, held therein in capillary holding spaces, the latent heat body (58, 65, 69) containing a number of latent heat part-bodies (59) and a latent heat part-body (59) containing a carrier material part-body (61) and latent heat storage material (63) which is held therein in capillary holding spaces (62), characterized in that the number of latent heat part-bodies (59) together is surrounded by an embedding material (60, 66), and in that the carrier material contains wood fibers and/or cardboard and/or granulated siliceous earth and/or diatomaceous earth.

*claim*  
 42. Latent heat body according to ~~one or more of the preceding claims~~ or in particular according



thereto, characterized in that a residual air volume (64), which absorbs temperature-dependent changes in volume of the latent heat storage material (63) of at most 10% of the latent heat storage material volume, is present in the capillary holding spaces (62).

43. Latent heat body according to <sup>claim</sup> ~~one or more of the preceding claims~~ or in particular according thereto, characterized in that the carrier material contains fiber elements, preferably in a uniform distribution.

44. Latent heat body according to <sup>claim</sup> ~~one or more of the preceding claims~~ or in particular according thereto, characterized in that the latent heat storage material (63) contains a thickening agent and/or a proportion of mineral oils and polymers.

45. Latent heat body according to <sup>claim</sup> ~~one or more of the preceding claims~~ or in particular according thereto, characterized in that the embedding material (60, 66) contains silicone, in particular silicone rubber, and/or resin and/or concrete.

46. Latent heat body according to <sup>claim</sup> ~~one or more of the preceding claims~~ or in particular according thereto, characterized in that the proportion of the embedding material (60, 66) in the sum of the individual masses of carrier material, latent heat storage material (63) and embedding material (60, 66) is at least approximately 50%.

47. Latent heat body according to <sup>claim</sup> ~~one or more of the preceding claims~~ or in particular according thereto, characterized in that the proportion of the latent heat storage material (63), based on the common mass of latent heat storage material (63) and carrier

material, lies between approximately 40 and approximately 80%, and is preferably approximately 60%.

a 48. Latent heat body according to <sup>claim</sup> ~~one or more of~~  
a 5 ~~the preceding claims~~ or in particular according  
thereto, characterized in that a carrier material part-  
body (61) or a latent heat part-body (59) is overall of  
granular or fibrous structure, and in that a typical  
geometric dimension of a carrier material part-body  
10 (61) or of a latent heat part-body (59) is of the order  
of magnitude of a few millimeters to a few centimeters.

a 49. Latent heat body according to <sup>claim</sup> ~~one or more of~~  
a ~~the preceding claims~~ or in particular according  
15 thereto, characterized in that the latent heat body  
(65) contains a number of conglomerates (67), which are  
each formed from a number of carrier material part-  
bodies (61), in which latent heat storage material (63)  
is held and which together are surrounded by an  
20 embedding material (60, 66), and in that the  
conglomerates (67) together are incorporated in a  
matrix material (68).

a 50. Latent heat body according to <sup>claim</sup> ~~one or more of~~  
a 25 ~~the preceding claims~~ or in particular according  
thereto, characterized in that the proportion of the  
matrix material (68) in the total mass of the latent  
heat body (65) is at least approximately 50%.

a 51. Latent heat body according to <sup>claim</sup> ~~one or more of~~  
a ~~the preceding claims~~ or in particular according  
thereto, characterized in that the matrix material (68)  
contains silicone, in particular silicone rubber,  
and/or resin and/or concrete.

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a 52. Method according to <sup>claim 29</sup> ~~one or more of the~~  
a ~~preceding claims~~ or in particular according thereto,  
characterized in that the carrier material which is

impregnated with latent heat storage material (63) is surrounded by an embedding material (60, 66).

53. Method according to <sup>claim 29</sup> ~~one or more of the~~  
5 ~~preceding claims~~ or in particular according thereto,  
characterized in that the carrier material, which is  
impregnated with latent heat storage material (63), is  
comminuted to form latent heat part-bodies (59), a  
latent heat part-body (59) containing a carrier  
10 material part-body (61) and latent heat storage  
material (63) held therein.

54. Method according to <sup>claim 29</sup> ~~one or more of the~~  
15 ~~preceding claims~~ or in particular according thereto,  
characterized in that a number of latent heat part-  
bodies (59) together are surrounded by an embedding  
material (60, 66).

55. Method according to <sup>claim 29</sup> ~~one or more of the~~  
20 ~~preceding claims~~ or in particular according thereto,  
characterized in that the latent heat body (58, 65,  
69), before solidification of the embedding material  
(60, 66), is rolled out and/or cast into a mold.

56. Method according to <sup>claim 29</sup> ~~one or more of the~~  
25 ~~preceding claims~~ or in particular according thereto,  
characterized in that a conglomerate (67) is formed  
from a number of carrier material part-bodies (59) with  
latent heat storage material (63) held therein as a  
30 result of the common surrounding or embedding in the  
embedding material (60, 66), and in that a number of  
conglomerates (67) together is incorporated in a matrix  
material (68).

57. Method for producing a latent heat body with  
A4 ~~paraffin-based~~ latent heat storage material held in a  
carrier material which has capillary holding spaces,  
the latent heat storage material being liquefied and

the previously liquefied latent heat storage material being conducted to automatically sucking, capillary-like holding spaces of the carrier material, characterized in that the carrier material which has  
5 been impregnated with latent heat storage material (63) is surrounded by an embedding material (60, 66), and in that a carrier material which contains wood fibers and/or cardboard and/or granulated siliceous earth and/or diatomaceous earth is used.

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58. Method according to <sup>claim 57</sup> ~~one or more of the~~  
~~preceding claims~~ or in particular according thereto, characterized in that the carrier material, which has  
15 (63), before it is surrounded with the embedding material, is comminuted into latent heat part-bodies (59), a latent heat part-body (59) being formed from a carrier material part-body (61) and latent heat storage material (63) which is held therein and in particular a  
20 residual air volume (64), and in that a plurality of latent heat part-bodies (59) together is surrounded, so as to form a cohesive unit with the embedding material (60, 66).

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59. Method according to <sup>claim 57</sup> ~~one or more of the~~  
~~preceding claims~~ or in particular according thereto, characterized in that the embedding material (60, 66), while the carrier material which has been impregnated with latent heat storage material (63) is being  
30 surrounded therewith, is processed into a free-flowing and/or kneadable state.

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60. Method according to <sup>claim 57</sup> ~~one or more of the~~  
~~preceding claims~~ or in particular according thereto,  
35 characterized in that the embedding material (60, 66), after surrounding of the carrier material impregnated with latent heat storage material (63), is solidified, in particular dried.

a 61. Method according to <sup>claim 57</sup> ~~one or more of the~~  
a ~~preceding claims~~ or in particular according thereto,  
characterized in that the latent heat body (58, 65,  
5 69), before solidification of the embedding material  
(60, 66), is rolled out and/or cast into a mold.

a 62. Method according to <sup>claim 57</sup> ~~one or more of the~~  
a ~~preceding claims~~ or in particular according thereto,  
10 characterized in that a conglomerate (67) is formed  
from a number of carrier material part-bodies (59) with  
latent heat storage material (63) held therein by the  
common surrounding or embedding in the embedding  
material (60, 66), and in that a number of  
15 conglomerates (67) together is incorporated in a matrix  
material (68).

a 63. Method according to <sup>claim 57</sup> ~~one or more of the~~  
a ~~preceding claims~~ or in particular according thereto,  
20 characterized in that concrete and/or silicone, in  
particular silicone rubber, and/or resin and/or  
concrete is used as embedding material (60, 66).

a 64. Method according to <sup>claim 57</sup> ~~one or more of the~~  
a 25 ~~preceding claims~~ or in particular according thereto,  
characterized in that concrete and/or silicone, in  
particular silicone rubber and/or resin and/or concrete  
is used as matrix material (68).